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***United Service Organization (USO) President To Visit Oklahoma
Will Accept \$110,000 Check Raised By Oklahoma Company
To "Support Our Troops"***

Washington, D.C. --

Eastern Oklahoma Congressman Brad Carson (D-OK) will join with Inola Casting Works, Inc. to present a check for \$110,000 to Edward A. Powell, President of the United Service Organization (USO). Inola Casting Works has a long tradition of charitable giving through the design and sale of lapel pins that have raised money for other worthy organizations in the past. This year, the company designed and manufactured "Support Our Troops" pins that has raised over \$100,000 to support the endeavors of the USO.

A press conference will take place on Saturday, May 24th at 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. (CST) at the Tulsa Press Club, 415 South Boston. An additional tour of Inola Casting Works and community presentation will take place on May 24th from 11:15 am -12:30 pm (CST) at Inola Casting Works in Inola, OK.

Inola Casting Works has shown charitable leadership in the past raising money for causes ranging from education to September 11th relief efforts. In 1991, Inola Casting Works sold a USO approved bracelet to raise money to help our troops during Desert Storm. Additionally, they have raised money with the "Healing in the Heartland" pin raising \$150,000 for the children's education fund after the OKC bombing and the "United We Stand" pin raising \$345,000 for the September 11th fund and \$56,000 for the OKVOAD.

The United Service Organization (USO) mission is to provide morale, welfare and recreation-type services to uniformed military Personnel. The and enduring style of USO delivery is to represent the American people by extending a "Touch of Home" to their military members. The USO currently operates 121 centers, including 5 mobile canteens around the world. An average of over 5,000,000 patrons are served annually.

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